

REMARKS

The indication of the allowance of Claims 21 to 23 and the indication of the allowability of dependent Claims 3 to 6, 12 to 14, and 17 if rewritten in independent form is acknowledged with appreciation.

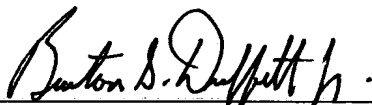
In an effort to expedite prosecution the subject matter of dependent Claims 3, 4, and 5 now is incorporated into independent Claim 1. Claim 1 and all of the claims that depend therefrom should accordingly be found to be allowable. Dependent Claim 2 is canceled, the dependencies of Claims 5, 12, 17, 18, and 19 are modified, and Claims 24 to 29 are newly added.

The Application is urged to be in condition for allowance. If there is any remaining point that requires clarification prior to the allowance of the Application, the Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned attorney so that the matter be resolved.

Respectfully submitted,

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